



County Administrative Office
Governmental & Legislative Affairs

Josh Candelaria
Director

March 24, 2017

The Honorable Eduardo Garcia
California State Assembly
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 1111 (Garcia) – as Introduced on February 17, 2017 – **SUPPORT**

Dear Assemblyman Garcia:

The County of San Bernardino is pleased to support AB 1111, to establish a competitive grant program to address the needs of individuals who face multiple barriers to prepare for training, apprenticeship or employment opportunities.

As you are aware, California's income inequality gap has widened during the recovery, with low-income workers facing the biggest gap in a state with a high cost of living. At the same time, companies in health care, IT and manufacturing are struggling to find workers with the right skills to fill well-paying jobs. In order to close the income disparity and ensure California is able to compete in a 21st Century Economy it is vital we target investments that will assist under-skilled workers prepare for work in high priority industries that can provide them with a living wage with the overall goal to self-sufficiency and economic stability.

For these reasons, the County of San Bernardino is pleased to support AB 1111. If you have any questions, please contact Josh Candelaria, Director of Governmental and Legislative Affairs at (909) 387-4821 or jcandelaria@sbcounty.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Lovingood".

Robert Lovingood
First District Supervisors
Chairman, San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors

c: San Bernardino County Legislative Delegation

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